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8413. A letter from the Chair, Commission on International Religious Freedom, transmitting the Commission's 2008 Annual Report covering the period May 2007 through April 2008; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8414. A letter from the Assistant Secretary For Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Clarification of the Classification of Crew Protection Kits on the Commerce Control List, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8415. A letter from the Assistant Secretary For Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Addition of Kosovo in the Export Administration Regulations [Docket No. 080717846-8879-01] (RIN: 0694-AE34) received September 8, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8416. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a proposed removal from the United States Munitions list of vessels for the containment and transportation of explosive devices that have primary applications in law enforcement and security, pursuant to Section 38(f) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8417. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a proposed technical assistance agreement for the export of technical data, defense services, and defense articles in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8418. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles that are firearms controlled under Category 1 of the United States Munition List (Transmittal No. DTC 063-08), pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8419. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's annual report on the extent and disposition of United States contributions to international organizations for fiscal year 2007, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 287b(b), section 405(b); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8420. A letter from the Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's eighth report covering current military, diplomatic, political and economic measures that are being or have been undertaken to complete our mission in Iraq successfully, pursuant to Public Law 109-163, section 1227; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8421. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting consistent with the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-243), the Authorization for the Use of Force Against Iraq Resolution (Pub. L. 102-1), and in order to keep the Congress fully informed,

reports prepared by the Department of State on a weekly basis for the June 15–August 15, 2008 period including matters relating to post-liberation Iraq under Section 7 of the Iraq Liberation Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105-338); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8422. A letter from the Secretary General, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, Parliamentary Assembly, transmitting the Astana Declaration and Resolutions adopted on July 3, 2008 at the Seventeenth Annual Session of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe Parliamentary Assembly, pursuant to Public Law 102-138, section 169(e) (105 Stat. 679); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8423. A letter from the Chief Financial Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final set of amendments to the Department's Fiscal Year 2008 Annual Performance Plan; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8424. A letter from the Deputy White House Liaison, Department of Justice, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8425. A letter from the Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy, transmitting the Office's report entitled, "Fiscal Year 2007 Performance Summary Report," pursuant to P.L. 105-277 (Div. C-Title VII), section 705(d); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8426. A letter from the Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, transmitting the Office's FY 2007 Annual Report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 1218; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8427. A letter from the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Economic Development, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's proposed plan with respect to the award entered in the compromise and settlement of claims under *Pueblo of San Ildefonso v. United States*, No. 660-87L, United States Court of Federal Claims, pursuant to Public Law 109-286, section 14; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8428. A letter from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Atlantic Highly Migratory Species (HMS); Atlantic Shark Management Measures [Docket No. 0612242866-8888-03] (RIN: 0648-AU89) received September 8, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8429. A letter from the Citizenship & Immigration Services Ombudsman, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Annual Report of the Citizenship and Immigration Services for Fiscal Year 2008, pursuant to Section 452(c)(1) of the Homeland Security Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8430. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a legislative proposal, entitled "The Foreign Agents Registration Technical Amendments Act of 2008"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8431. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator Deputy Chief of Operations Office of Diversion Control, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Elimination of Exemptions for Chemical Mixtures Containing the List I Chemicals Ephedrine and/or Pseudoephedrine [Docket No. DEA-284F] (RIN: 1117-AB11) received August 19, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8432. A letter from the Director, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's report entitled "Indian Country Drug

Threat Assessment 2008"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8433. A letter from the President, National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements, transmitting the Council's "Audit of Federal Awards A-133 for the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements" from July 14, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8434. A letter from the Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting notification that the Supreme Court will open the October 2008 Term on Monday October 6, 2008 and will continue until all matters before the Court ready for argument have been disposed of or decided; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8435. A letter from the Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court, transmitting the 2007 Annual Report for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8436. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's fourth report on the breakdown of the disability-related complaints that U.S. and foreign passenger air carriers operating to and from the U.S. received during 2007, pursuant to Section 707 of the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8437. A letter from the National Ombudsman and Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Enforcement Fairness, Small Business Administration, transmitting the National Ombudsman's Annual Report to Congress; to the Committee on Small Business.

8438. A letter from the Chairman, International Trade Commission, transmitting a report entitled, "The Year in Trade 2007," pursuant to Section 163(c) of the Trade Act of 1974; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8439. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's pilot project status report for fiscal year 2007 to implement the Quincy Library Group's forest management proposal on designated lands in the Plumas, Lassen, and Tahoe National Forests, pursuant to Public Law 105-277; jointly to the Committees on Natural Resources and Agriculture.

8440. A letter from the Assistant Regional Solicitor, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's "Answer to Motion to Clarify Record of Modesto and Turlock Irrigation Districts"; jointly to the Committees on Natural Resources and Energy and Commerce.

8441. A letter from the Associate Deputy Secretary, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's annual report to Congress on the CALFED Bay-Delta Program entitled, "2007 Calfed Annual Report," pursuant to Public Law 108-361, section 105(a)(1); jointly to the Committees on Natural Resources and Transportation and Infrastructure.

8442. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's "2008 Annual Plan for the Ultra-Deepwater and Unconventional Natural Gas and Other Petroleum Resources Research and Development Program," pursuant to Public Law 109-58, section 999B(e)(3); jointly to the Committees on Science and Technology and Natural Resources.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Ms. CASTOR: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 1441. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3036) to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 regarding environmental education, and for other purposes (Rept. 110-854). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. GORDON of Tennessee: Committee on Science and Technology. H.R. 6323. A bill to establish a research, development, demonstration, and commercial application program to promote research of appropriate technologies for heavy duty plug-in hybrid vehicles, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-855). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. OBERSTAR: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. House Resolution 1376. Resolution commemorating the 80th anniversary of the Okeechobee Hurricane of September 1928 and its associated tragic loss of life; with amendments (Rept. 110-856). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 5244. A bill to amend the truth in Lending Act to establish fair and transparent practices relating to the extension of credit under an open end consumer credit plan, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-857). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. WAXMAN: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. Misleading Information from the Battlefield: The Tillman and Lynch Episodes (Rept. 110-858). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

## PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. BURGESS (for himself and Mr. STUPAK):

H.R. 6908. A bill to require that limitations and restrictions on coverage under group health plans be timely disclosed to group health plan sponsors and timely communicated to participants and beneficiaries under such plans in a form that is easily understandable; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. PORTER:

H.R. 6909. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to give priority to consideration of applications for permits and other authorizations required for renewable energy projects on Federal public land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. PRICE of Georgia:

H.R. 6910. A bill to establish a monetary prize for achievements in overcoming scientific and technical barriers associated with the development and production of alternative fuel vehicles, to remove certain restrictions on the exploration, development, and production of mineral resources on Federal lands, and to use the resulting Federal revenue to fund the monetary prize and reduce the public debt; to the Committee on Science and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. BERMAN (for himself, Ms. ROSELEHTNEN, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. WEXLER, Ms. SCHWARTZ, and Mr. SHUSTER):

H.R. 6911. A bill to authorize assistance to meet the urgent humanitarian needs of the people of Georgia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. BOSWELL (for himself, Mr. LOEBSACK, Mrs. BOYDA of Kansas, Mr. SKELTON, Mrs. EMERSON, and Mr. BERRY):

H.R. 6912. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for temporary improvements to the Medicare inpatient hospital payment adjustment for low-volume hospitals and to provide for the use of the non-wage adjusted PPS rate under the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. FLAKE:

H.R. 6913. A bill to provide that no funds made available to the Department of Commerce may be used to implement, administer, or enforce certain amendments made to regulations relating to license exemptions for gift parcels and humanitarian donations for Cuba; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. HOLT:

H.R. 6914. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain renewable energy provisions for 10 years, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HOLT:

H.R. 6915. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the alternative motor vehicle credit for 10 years, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. JEFFERSON (for himself and Mr. MELANCON):

H.R. 6916. A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize the President to provide assistance to individuals and households that are required to evacuate their primary residences as a result of a major disaster; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. LAMBORN (for himself and Mr. SMITH of Texas):

H.R. 6917. A bill to amend the Wilderness Act to allow recreation organizations to cross wilderness areas on established trails, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. COBLE (for himself and Mr. STUPAK):

H. Con. Res. 415. Concurrent resolution celebrating 75 years of effective State-based alcohol regulation and recognizing State lawmakers, regulators, law enforcement officers, the public health community and industry members for creating a workable, legal, and successful system of alcoholic beverage regulation, distribution, and sale; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BOUCHER (for himself, Mr. WOLF, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. GOODE, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. FORBES, Mrs. DRAKE, and Mr. WITTMAN of Virginia):

H. Con. Res. 416. Concurrent resolution commending Barter Theatre on the occasion of its 75th anniversary; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. MCCOTTER (for himself, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. CARTER,

Ms. GRANGER, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. COLE of Oklahoma, Mr. PUTNAM, Mr. AKIN, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BONNER, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. CAMP of Michigan, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Mr. HAYES, Mr. HERGER, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. MCHUGH, Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. NUNES, Mr. PLATTS, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. RENZI, Mr. TERRY, Mr. TIBERI, Mr. KLINE of Minnesota, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mrs. SCHMIDT, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mr. KUHL of New York, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. GRAVES, Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. MCCARTHY of California, Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey, Mr. PRICE of Georgia, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. GOODE, Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Ms. FALLIN, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. MCCAUL of Texas, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. LINDER, Mr. GINGREY, Mr. ROSKAM, Ms. FOX, Mr. PITTS, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, Mr. BROUN of Georgia, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. TIAHRT, Mrs. WILSON of New Mexico, Mr. JORDAN, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. POE, Mr. SCALISE, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. PENCE, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. WELDON of Florida, and Mr. SIMPSON):

H. Con. Res. 417. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the 110th Congress should not adjourn until comprehensive energy legislation has been enacted; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Science and Technology, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York (for herself, Mr. PLATTS, Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. BALDWIN, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. CHILDERS, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. FILNER, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, and Mr. TOWNS):

H. Res. 1440. A resolution expressing support for designation of the month of October as "National Work and Family Month"; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. BURTON of Indiana (for himself, Ms. BEAN, Mr. CHABOT, and Mr. DAVIS of Illinois):

H. Res. 1442. A resolution supporting and congratulating the people of Serbia on the formation of a new coalition government; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. DEFAZIO (for himself, Mr. FILNER, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. REICHERT, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. WU, and Mr. MCDERMOTT):

H. Res. 1443. A resolution recognizing the 40th anniversary of the National Trails System Act and the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania:

H. Res. 1444. A resolution expressing the Sense of the House of Representatives that the Susquehanna River Basin Commission should carefully consider the energy needs of the United States and the economic development needs of the region before limiting natural gas exploration and development in the